**“Be My Friend”**

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**Come into the barnyard and see me**

**In one of the enclosures I will be**

**Awaiting your visit from some place**

**Far away from my view – is that the case?**

**But you came to see me today**

**For more than a moment, you must stay**

**You are entertainment for me, you see**

**Stopping by to greet me momentarily**

**Before you continue down the aisle way**

**Talking to each of the critters and having your say**

**But, I am your favorite! Or, at least that is what I think**

**You spend most of your time by me – I don’t think it’s because I stink!**

**I try my best to look cute and adorable to you**

**Your visit is the highlight of my day – hope it is for you, too**

**We may have feathers, scales or fur – unlike your skin**

**But your visits and affection towards me makes you like my kin**

**So, please make your rounds to all and then stop back by**

**Without such love, I would surely die**

**Thank you, for making me your critter friend**

**I will remember your kindness until the end!**